I.C.P.O. Bulletin

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"Islands, Castles & Portable Operations"
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13/09/2013: Daniel, DF8UO, is currently visiting Madagascar (AF-013, WLOTA 2455) on a work assignment until the 20th of September. He plans to work as 5R8UO during his free time. QRV on 40-10 metre CW and digital modes, but also SSB for the WAE contest. QSL via LoTW and DF8UO, direct or bureau. Log will be uploaded to LoTW. [DXNL]

13/09/2013: Sig DL2JIM, Rene DL2JRM and Dan DL5SE will be active as JW5E from the club station in Longyearbyen, Spitsbergen Island (EU-026, WLOTA 0125), Svalbard archipelago, from 13-16th September, 2013. QRV on all bands and modes, including an entry in the WAE-SSB Contest (14-15 September). QSL direct to: Svalbardgruppen Av NRRL Clubstation, PO Box 498, N 9171 Longyearbyen, Norway. [rsgbiota.org]

13/09/2013: Weather permitting, Alexander RW3RN (RRC #256) and Yuri N3QQ (RRC #106) plan an activation of Kodiak Island (NA-019, USi AK-004S, WLOTA 0623), Alaska, between 12-14 September, 2013. QRV as KL7RRC/p on 40-10 metre CW and SSB. QSO with KL7RRC/p is good towards the Russian Robinson Club 20th Anniversary Award. QSL via N7RO and UA9OBA. [UA9OBA]

13/09/2013: Frank, PH2M, will be active as PJ4M from Kralendijk, island of Bonaire (SA-006, WLOTA 1279, WWFF PAFF-024), between 13-26th September, 2013. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via his home callsign (only the 2013 operation), preferred by the bureau or direct. [OPDX Bulletin]

13/09/2013: David, AH6HY, plans holiday style activity from the island of Sint Maarten (NA-105, WLOTA 0711) between 13-18 September, 2013, using the callsign PJ7/AH6HY. QRV on 20, 17 and 15 metre SSB only, primarily evenings. QSL via home call (see QRZ.com). [NG3K]

13/09/2013: Predrag, YU1JF, will be active holiday style as Z38/YU1JF from Ohrid Lake, near Struga, Macedonia, between 13-17 September, 2013. He plans to be QRV on 30-10 metres, mainly CW. Paper QSL 100% via home call. [NG3K]

14/09/2013: Operators Heinz DC5WW, Robert DK2RO, Anton DL8AW, Norbert DL9NAC and Thilo DL9NBJ will be active as 5Q7Y from Langeland Island (EU-172, DIA FY-019, WLOTA 0590) from 14-21 September 2013. QSL via Anton, DL8AW, by the bureau, direct and LoTW. You can also use the Clublog OQRS Service (fee: 1 EURO). [OPDX Bulletin]

14/09/2013: Johannes, DF5AU, will once again be active from Liechtenstein between 14-19th September, 2013. QRV as HB0/DF5AU on the HF bands, with focus on the higher bands, using a Beam and PA; CW and SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau and LoTW. [NG3K]

14/09/2013: Uwe, DL4AAE and Roman, DL3TU will be active as HB0/homecalls from Malbun, Liechtenstein (WW Loc. JN47TB) on the second (14-15th) or third (21-22nd) full weekend of September 2013. Weather permitting, they will attempt to operate from the summit of Augstenberg (SOTA HB0/LI-004, 10 points - last activation 25/Oct/2012 by HB0/OE9HRV/p) using the callsign HB0/DL3TU/p. They

will be using CW only on the higher bands with an emphasis on Asia. Augstenberg is a mountain in Liechtenstein in the Ratikon range of the Eastern Alps close to the border with Austria and the town of Malbun, with a height of 2,359 metres (7,740 ft). QSL via home calls, bureau preferred or direct. Online log will be hosted by Clublog. Website: www.mydarc.de/dl3tu/ [DL3TU]

14/09/2013: On Saturday, September 14, 2013, the Calabria DX Team will activate the Calata Buccarelli lighthouse (WAIL CL-004, ARLHS ITA-004, WAIS FP57), in Vibo Valentia, located in the Calabria region of southern Italy. QSL via HB9FHZ (USKA bureau) or via IK8YFU (direct). [DXNL]

14/09/2013: Franco, IK4YCQ will be active as IL7/IK4YCQ from San Domino Island (EU-050, IIA FG-001, MIA MI-085, WLOTA 1284, Grid Loc. JN72) on 14-19 September. He will operate holiday style on 40-6 metres SSB. QSL via home call, bureau or direct. [425 DX News]

14/09/2013: Taka, JA8COE, will be active as JA8COE/8 from Yagishiri Island (AS-147, WLOTA 2512, WWFF JAFF-034), Hokkaido Pref., Rumoi Subprefecture, Tomamae District (Tomamae-gun) between 14-16 September, 2013. QRV on the HF bands using CW, SSB and Digital modes. QSL via JA8COE, bureau or direct (QRZ.com). [rsgbiota.org]

14/09/2013: The Arcachon Radio Club F5KAY will be active as TM49PB from the Cap Ferret lighthouse (DPLF #049, ARLHS FRA-226), departement of Gironde, region of Aquitaine, on the 14th and 15th of September, 2013. QRV with 2 stations on 160-10 metre SSB, CW, and Digital modes. Contact with the expedition will count for Arcachon Awards. QSL via F8IHE, LoTW. Website: www.qrz.com/db/TM49PB [DXNL]

15/09/2013: Chris, DL2MDU and his wife Heike, DO3HDA will be active as 8Q7CF from the Biyadhoo Island Resort, Republic of Maldives, from 15-27 September, 2013. Activity will be holiday style on 160-10 metre CW, Phone and Digital modes, using a Elecraft K3 and inverted V dipole. For 160m they will use a long wire depending on their chances to hook up this antenna. Chris will work mainly CW, while Heike will work the phone and digital modes. QSL via DL2DMU, LoTW and direct. [NG3K]

15/09/2013: Piotr, SP2QCW, will be active as EA6/SP2QCW from Mallorca Island (EU-004, DIE E-021, MIA MB-004, WLOTA 1902) from 15 September to 6 October. He will operate holiday style on the HF bands. QSL via home call. [425 DX News]

15/09/2013: Gerben, PG5M, will be active from the Palau Islands (IOTA OC-009) as T8GM from 15-19th September, 2013. QRV on 80-10 meter CW only. QSL via PG5M (G.A.Menting, Leemdobbe 19, 9472 ZR Zuidlaren, The Netherlands) and LoTW. Gerben reports "As it becomes more problematic to exchange IRC's, I prefer green stamps for return postage". [DX World]

15/09/2013: Operators John YB5NOF, Anton YB5QZ, Joni YB9WZJ, Johana YB8NLF, Jimmy YB8OUF and Willy YE5WM will be active as YE5R from Anambas Island (OC-108) between 15-20 September, 2013. QRV on all bands and modes. QSL via W2FB, direct with SASE, IRC, or 2 USD. QSL also OK via the W2 bureau. [DX World]

16/09/2013: Look for Bernd, DL8AAV, to be active from Laeso Island (EU-088, DIA NK-003, WLOTA 4999) as OZ0AV between 16-28th September 2013. QRV on the HF bands, propagation permitting. QSL via DL8AAV, direct or bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

18/09/2013: Darren, G0TSM, will be active holiday style as 3B8/G0TSM from Mauritius Island (AF-049, WLOTA 0595) on 18-28th September, 2013. He hopes to operate SSB, CW and RTTY for 2-3 hours a day, running 100 watts into simple wire antennas on 40-10 metres and a 2-element quad on 6 metres. The log will be

uploaded to LOTW and Club Log during the holiday. As for QSLling, please use the OQRS on Club Log for bureau or direct cards, and refrain from sending paper QSLs. Also requests for bureau cards can be made via email (daz[@]g0tsm.com). [425 DX News]

18/09/2013: Randy, AJ7G, and his wife are planning their next funxpedition to activate Cedar Key (NA-076, USi FL-485S), Levy County, Florida, from 18-19 September 2013. They plan on operating 20, 17 and 15 metre USB and Digital if possible. The equipment will be a Yaesu FT-2000d and an FT-897d as a back up. Antenna will be a buddipole mounted in the back of my pick up with a special mounting assembly for added height and sturdiness. They will be staying at the Low Key Hideaway Motel in Cedar Key. QSL direct to home call (Randy R Woods, 3205 NW 76th Lane, Jennings, FL 32053, USA). NO BUREAU CARDS SORRY! [rsgbiota.org]

18/09/2013: Operators Mike KA6DLN, Elizabeth KB3WIA and Alan KB3WEY will be active as KB3WEY/p from Assateague Island (NA-139, USi MD-001S, WLOTA 4206, Grid Loc. FM28), Worcester county, Maryland, between 18-22 September, 2013. Plans are to be operating SSB and Digital modes on 40-6m to a vertical. QSL direct, LoTW and eQSL to KB3WEY. If band/mode needed, let Alan know at alandmann[@]yahoo.com [rsgbiota.org]

18/09/2013: Zorro will be in Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar, from 18th to 23rd September signing XZ1Z again. He has spotted a better location on top of a 1557 feet hill, and expect to have better signals. He will bring a 10-15-20m tri-band Yagi, in addition to the GPs used last month. The operation will be mainly CW this time and focus on NA/SA. In mid November, Foundation for Global Children (FGC) will have a multi national team DXpedition to Myanmar for about 10 days. Three to four stations, 24 hours, 160 - 10m, CW/SSB/Digi. Stay tuned! QSL via ClubLog OQRS (preferred) or JH1AJT. [JA1TRC]

19/09/2013: 7T9A is a special call for the 50th Anniversary of the creation of A.R.A. Between 19-21 September, 2013, a special activation of Srigina Island (AF-104) and lighthouse (ARLHS ALG-023, TWLHD WLH 7X-005, WLOTA 3104, WW Loc. JM36KW), Skikda Province, Algeria, will take place as part of the 50th anniversay celebrations. QRV on all bands and all modes. Further information and QSL route can be found at: www.qrz.com/db/7T9A [DX World]

19/09/2013: Masa, JA0RQV, is planning to return to Tonga and QRV from Niuatoputapu Island (IOTA OC-191) as A35JP/P from 19-24 September, 2013. This operation will depend on weather and flight to the island, with limited activity because of limited supply of electric power. QRV on 80-6m, CW/SSB. QSL via home call. Note: In case the flight is cancelled, Masa may QRV from Tongatapu Island (OC-049) or Haapai Island (OC-169) or Vavau Island (OC-064) instead. [DX World]

20/09/2013: Operators Stan LZ1GC, Andy LZ2HM and Rocky 3D2DD will be active from Fiji and Rotuma between 20th September and 15th October, 2013. Their schedule is as follows: 20-26th September - callsigns 3D2GC (Stan) and 3D2CC (Rocky); from the Club Fiji Resort, Viti Levu Island (OC-016, WLOTA 0055, WW. Loc. RH82QF). QRV on 160-6 metre CW and SSB, with the following equipment: Kenwood TS-480 SAT + linear amplifier ACOM 1010/ACOM 1000. The antennas: EXP. GP 40-10m, 80/160 meters INV-L and GP. 27th September to 11th October - callsigns 3D2GC/P, 3D2DD/P and 3D2RA; from Rotuma Island (OC-060). Activity will be on all HF bands. Stan CW/SSB and Rocky only on SSB. 3D2RA will be used during the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (28-29 September). 12-15th October - callsigns 3D2GC and 3D2CC again from Viti Levu Island, Fiji. On 16th October Stan, LZ1GC, will go back to Bulgaria. QSL 3D2GC and 3D2GC/p via LZ1GC, direct or by the bureau (see details on QRZ.com). QSL 3D2RA via LZ2HM. QSL 3D2DD and 3D2DD/p via info on QRZ.com.

Logs will be uploaded after the DX Pedition because no internet access. LoTW logs will be upoaded couple of months after the DX Pedition! Website: 3d2gc.com/ [DX World]

20/09/2013: Fusa, JR3CNQ and Take, JS6RRR will be active from Singapore (AS-019) and West Malaysia on the following dates: September 20-21 and 23 - 9V1/JR3CNQ and 9V1/JS6RRR; September 21-23 - 9M2/JR3CNA and 9M2/JS6RRR. QRV on 40-10 metre CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via home calls [DX World]

20/09/2013: A team from the Royal Omani Amateur Radio Society will operate SSB, CW and digital modes as A43MI from Masirah Island (IOTA AS-014) between 20-24th September, 2013. QSL via A47RS, direct or bureau. [DX World]

20/09/2013: Look for Rene, DL2JRM and Netti, DO6XX to be active as JW/homecalls from the JW5E club station in Longyearbyen, Spitsbergen Island (EU-026, WLOTA 0125), Svalbard archipelago, between 20-23 September, 2013. Rene JW/DL2JRM will focus on the SAC CW Contest (21-22 September) while Netti JW/DO6XX will be QRV on all HF bands using SSB and RTTY. QSL via home calls, direct or by the bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

20/09/2013: Masa, JL1FUQ, will be active as T88GJ from the Palau Islands (OC-009, Grid Loc. PJ77) between 20-24th September, 2013. Activity will be limited or dates may change because of his work, but look for him on 20/17/15/12/10/6 metre SSB and possibly AM, PSK31 and RTTY. Preferred frequency on 6 metres will be 50.130MHz. Equipment is FT-897D with a THP HL-550FX amp into 6m 5 element yagi and a 2 or 3 element HF yagi. QSL via his home call, by the bureau or direct (Masashi Sampei, 1-2-12-1305, Kasumigaoka, Fujimino City, Saitama Pref., 356-0006 Japan). [DX World]

LOOKING AHEAD -

26/10/2013: Terry, G4MKP, will be active holiday style as EA6/G4MKP from the island of Mallorca (DIE E-021, MIA MB-004, WLOTA 1902), Balearic Islands (EU-004), in October. He plans to be QRV for the CQWW DX SSB Contest (26-27 October) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry from CQ zone 14. Look for sporadic activity before and after the contest. QSL goes via M0URX (OQRS). [DXAT]

04/11/2013: Armin, DK9PY, will be QRV from Mayotte Island (AF-027, DIFO FH-001, WLOTA 0376) as FH/DK9PY between 4-11 November and Reunion Island (AF-016, DIFO FR-001, WLOTA 1812, WWFF FFF-011) as FR/DK9PY between 11-22 November, 2013. He will operate on all bands between 40 and 10m, 12 kHz from the lower edge of each band. If conditions will allow Armin will also work on 80m and 160m. Mode: CW only. QSL via home call. [DX World]

SPECIAL EVENTS -

13/09/2013: The Nysa Soil PZK Nysa Amateur Radio Club (SP6PNZ) celebrates the 790th anniversary of the town Nysa between 1st September and 31st December using the callsign HF790NYSA. QSL via SP6PNZ. Further information on the special event and relevant award can be found at: www.qrz.com/db/HF790NYSA [DXNL]

13/09/2013: The special calls OE2XXM and OE5XXM (with special ADL 553) will operate during the XXVII international Field Days in Gosau. QRV 13-15 September, 2013, mainly on 80 and 40 metre SSB. QSL via the bureau. Further information on QRZ.com under OE2XXM and OE5XXM. [DXNL]

13/09/2013: Special event station SN0HOKA is now active on all bands and modes until 31st of October, 2013. Activity is to celebrate 100 years of scouting in the town of Ostroleka (since 1913). QSL via the bureau, LoTW and eQSL. Website:

www.sp5kvw.com/ [DXNL]

13/09/2013: Members of the Chilean Pacific DX Group will be QRV as XR203CHI during the month of September to commemorate the 203th Independence of Chile. Activity is on all bands using SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via XQ7UP, direct or burean, also LoTW and eQSL. [DXNL]

14/09/2013: Special event station GB1BBF will get on the air on the 14th and 15th of September for the Black Country Boating Festival. QSL via MX0PPC and LoTW. [DXNL]

14/09/2013: GB1SCW will operate from the Shoreham National Coast Watch Institution Station on the 14th and 15th of September, calling attention to the Coastal Watch on the Air event. This is a joint effort with the Worthing and District Amateur Radio Club. QRV on 160-4 metres, all modes. QSL via the bureau and eQSL. Website: www.nci.org.uk/ http://www.wadarc.org.uk/ [DXNL]

14/09/2013: The annual Churches and Chapels on the Air (CHOTA) event will be held on the 14th of September with the purpose to establish radio contacts between churches in Great Britain to further Christian friendship and worldwide companionship. QSL via operators' instructions. Website: www.wacral.org/CHOTA.htm [DXNL]

15/09/2013: 24 operators will team up on the 15th of September 2013 to operate 5K3RF for 24 hours and pay homage to all deceased hams. QSL via EA3DUF, direct only. [DXNL]

16/09/2013: The following stations are going to operate from 16-26th September 2013 to welcome the autumn season (Witamy Jesien): 3Z1JESIEN, 3Z3JESIEN, HF1JESIEN, HF3JESIEN, SN1JESIEN and SN3JESIEN. QSLs go via the bureau. [DXNL]

17/09/2013: Special event station GB5FY commemorates the golden jubilee of the the Royal Air Force Fylingdales and remembers the 5131 Bomb Disposal Squadron. QRV from the 17th of September 2013 for two weeks. QSL via M1EDF. [DXNL]

U.S.A. Special Events can be found at: www.arrl.org/special-event-stations

LIGHTHOUSE CALENDAR -

13/09-15/09 HP0INT/9: Isla Iguana WLOTA:0323 QSL F4BKV/F5CWU (OQRS)
13/09-16/09 JW5E: Spitsbergen Island WLOTA:0125 QSL Direct
13/09-26/09 PJ4M: Bonaire Island WLOTA:1279 QSL PH2M (B)
13/09-18/09 PJ7/AH6HY: Sint Maarten Island WLOTA:0711 QSL H/c (d)
14/09-21/09 5Q7Y: Langeland Island WLOTA:0590 QSL DL8AW (d/B)
14/09-15/09 CR3L: Ilha da Madeira WLOTA:0053 QSL DJ6QT (d)
14/09 II8LH: Calata Buccarelli WAIL:CL-004 WLOL:ITA-004 QSL HB9FHZ (B)
14/09-19/09 IL7/IK4YCQ: Isola San Domino WLOTA:1284 QSL H/c (d/B)
14/09-16/09 JA8COE/8: Yagishiri To WLOTA:2512 QSL H/c (d/B)
14/09-15/09 TM49PB: Cap Ferret DPLF:#049 WLOL:FRA-226 QSL F8IHE (d)
15/09-06/10 EA6/SP2QCW: Isla de Mallorca WLOTA:1902 QSL H/c (d/B)
16/09-28/09 OZ0AV: Laeso Island WLOTA:4999 QSL DL8AAV (d/B)
18/09-28/09 3B8/G0TSM: Mauritius Island WLOTA:0595 QSL ClubLog OQRS
18/09-22/09 KB3WEY/P: Assateague Island WLOTA:4206 QSL H/c (d)
19/09-21/09 7T9A/P: Srigina Is. WLH:7X-005 ALG-023 WLOTA:3104 QSL 7X2ARA (d/B)
20/09-26/09 3D2CC: Viti Levu Island WLOTA:0055 QSL 3D2DD (d)
20/09-26/09 3D2GC: Viti Levu Island WLOTA:0055 QSL LZ1GC (d/B)
20/09-23/09 JW/DL2JRM: Spitsbergen Island WLOTA:0125 QSL H/c (d/B)
20/09-23/09 JW/DL2JRM: Spitsbergen Island WLOTA:0125 QSL H/c (d/B)

6 METRES & UP -

14/09-15/09 Arkansas QSO Party 2m FM 146.520 MHz 14 1400z-15 0200z
14/09-16/09 ARRL VHF QSO Party SO/MO/Rover/LP/HP 14 1800z-16 0259z
14/09-15/09 GB1SCW: Shoreham National Coast Watch Station 6m/4m QSL Buro
14/09-19/09 IL7/IK4YCQ: San Domino EU-050 Grid:JN72 6m SSB QSL H/c (d/B)
15/09 Belgian Mills Award Contest 2m SSB/FM 0600z-1000z
15/09 Contest Province Italiane 50 MHz CW/SSB/Fixed/Portable 0700z-1500z
15/09 W.A.B. 144 MHz QRO Phone SO/MO/QRO/QRP 1000z-1400z
15/09-16/09 Fall Classic Exchange Phone 6m/2m classes 15 1300z-16 0700z
17/09 LY 1.3 GHz Activity Contest CW/SSB/FM 1700z-2059z
17/09 NRAU 1.3GHz Activity Contest SO/MO/Open 1700z-2100z
17/09 RSGB RSGB 1.3GHz UKAC SO Fixed/Open 1900z-2130z
18/09-22/09 KB3WEY/P: Assateague Island NA-139 Grid:FM28 6m QSL H/c (d)
20/09-26/09 3D2CC: Viti Levu Island OC-016 Grid:RH82 6m CW/SSB QSL 3D2DD (d)
20/09-26/09 3D2GC: Viti Levu Island OC-016 Grid:RH82 6m CW/SSB QSL LZ1GC (d/B)
20/09-24/09 T88GJ: Palau OC-009 Grid:PJ77 50.130MHz QSL JL1FUQ (d/B)

Contest Calendar: www.qsl.net/va3rj/con_sep.html

Information about current VHF activities can be found on the VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: www.MMMonVHF.de/

SMIRK: www.smirk.org/
SOTA (Summits On The Air) Watch Alerts at: www.sotawatch.org/

QSL INFO -

QSLs via Bureau: None to report! :o(

QSLs via Direct: FS/K9EL (H/c), HD8A (HC2AQ), HI3B (QRZ.com), HV0A (IK0FVC), V5/DK9IP (H/c), VK0JJJ (K7CO), XZ1Z (OQRS), YB8XM/P [OC-271] (YB9BU) and YE6N [OC-161] (YB9BU).

QSLs via LoTW: 1A0C, 3B6RF, 3B7RF, 3DA0WC, 3W22S, 4O7TC, 5T0SP, 5V7ML, 7P8NK, 9A6A, 9H3NN, CT3/DL3KWR, CT4DK, CT9/DL3KWR, DG5LAC, DJ5MW, DL9GFB, EA8/G7COD, EJ/DL4ML, FS/K9EL, GT4FOC, GW100RSGB, JT1DA, K7BV, LA0FA, LX6GDM, LZ1534GWS, MJ/ON6NB, OH6XY, OX3LX, P29NI, P29VPB, PJ4G, PP5ZP, PY3OZ, SU1HZ, SV2013ATGM, T46RRC, T48RRC, T88CW, TC18M, TO7BC, V73NS, VP5M, W4OC, XV9DT, YO3/DL4AAZ, Z38/DJ8QP, ZF2MK and ZM1A.

LINKS -
CIsA (Canadian Islands Award Program) at: www.qsl.net/ve3tpz/cisa/
IOTA (Islands On The Air) at: www.rsgbiota.org/
NAQCC (North America QRP CW Club) at: naqcc.info/
USi (U.S. Islands Award Program) at: www.usislands.org/
VEFF - Canada Flora & Fauna at: www.qsl.net/va3rj/
VEFF Yahoo! Group at: groups.yahoo.com/group/VEFF/
WCA (World Castles on the Air) at: www.wcagroup.org/ENG/wcag.html
WLA (World Lakes Award) at: worldlakes.info/
WWFF (World-Wide Flora & Fauna) at: www.wwff.co/
WLOTA (World Lighthouses On The Air at: www.wlota.com/

BITS & PIECES -

FT5ZM Press Release - September 10, 2013
By Ralph Fedor, K0IR
The Amsterdam Island DXpedition team's progress continues unabated. Essentially all the team's equipment is now in hand and at the Atlanta staging area or undergoing final testing in preparation for shipment to Atlanta. Gear will soon be sorted into contents bound for the Mataf operating location and the Antonelli operating location (see our website page:

http://www.amsterdamdx.org/ft5zm-operating-sites/).
There will be no guess work about what piece of equipment goes to which site when we land. Efficiency means more time on the air and more QSO's. Bob, N2OO, has been working on our maritime mobile operation to provide QSO's with some rare grids between Australia and Amsterdam Island. Arnie, N6HC, is our team doctor and has finalized his medical resources. Jerry, WB9Z, has been hard at work with his team cutting radials and coax, thousands of feet of each, but the job is now done.
Bob, K4UEE, our chief financial officer has been watching our income and expenses and trying to be as frugal as possible without compromising our ability to generate lots of QSO's. Craig, K9CT, has been putting our K3's and bandpass filters through extensive testing and has worked with Neil, VA7DX; Gregg, W6IZT; and George, N4GRN, on our network and logging protocol. Erling, LA6VM, and Andy, UA3AB, have been working hard to inform Europeans of our progress and peak their interest, while VE7CT beats the drum in Canada. Michel, FM5CD, has worked closely with the French authorities, answering their questions and Nodir, EY8MM, has focused on our low band capabilities. Jorge, HK1R, has worked hard to generate interest in South America.
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G, ENGLAND
Celebrate the First Radio Transmissions from Great Britain to New Zealand -
On 18th October 1924, the first radio communication contact between the UK and New Zealand took place between 2SZ at Mill Hill School, the station operated by Cecil Goyder, and 4AA in Shag Valley, South Island, New Zealand, operated by Frank Bell.
The Radio Society of Great Britain, in partnership with groups of UK Amateurs in the UK and New Zealand, invites participation in celebration of the 90th anniversary of this event in October 2014 by recreating that original contact between the UK and New Zealand on the 80m band. For 2013, there will be activity preparing for the celebrations in 2014 and the special call GB2NZ will be active to stimulate the interest in celebrating the event from 5th to 25th October 2013.
It is suggested that those with suitably equipped stations might like to join in the "dry run" tests in October 2013 on 80m. Others may like to make contacts with New Zealand amateurs on the HF bands.
Elsewhere on this website (gb2nz.com/), you will find predicted propagation between the UK and New Zealand for 18th October 2013. Either side of this date, the propagation will generally follow the same pattern.
Contacts on both CW and SSB are encouraged and GB2NZ will be active on both modes, on 80m when there is propagation but otherwise on other HF bands.

SV, GREECE
Greek Telegraphy Club is happy to announce the conduct of the 3rd Greek Telegraphy Club CW Cup, which will be held on Saturday, 05 October 2013 - 12:00UTC until Sunday, 06 October 2013 - 12:00UTC.
It is the first international event organized by the G.T.C. and we consider it to be a joyful event.
The planning of the 3rd G.T.C. CW Cup was done, having in mind the ideals and purpose of the G.T.C., primarily instituted by the late and beloved SV1NA, George.
Full details can be found at: www.raag.org/ [SV5DKL]

YB3MM FUTURE EXPEDITIONS
Adhi wants to gauge the interest and demand for OC-262 He plans on operating

from Sebesi Island (new point for Nusantara Indonesian Islands Award). The last time 262 was active as YE5A Pulau Pisang.
OC-186 Karimunjawa He plans to operate from a different island in the same group: Pulau Menjangan Besar. Earlier this year he was there but only made a hundred or so QSO with JA and EU.
His last two solo island expeditions were OC-166 1450 QSO and OC-217 Saobi Island (Kangean Group) 1550 QSO.
I will relay to Adhi, or maybe he will read this forum himself. A more serious group expedition will be planned next year hopefully to Banda OC-157 and Masalembu OC-250.
73 Steve, W2FB

ZL, NEW ZEALAND
Press Release #1
After World War 1 and with the banishment of radio amateurs to the supposedly "useless shorter wavelengths" an amazing period of radio exploration took place. Amateurs all over the globe soon learnt that far from being useless these wavelengths seem to allow communication over long distances. Amateurs in ZL were at the forefront of this activity with the first ZL to VK QSO in April 1923, and then world record distance QSOs between ZL and Argentina in May 1924, ZL and California in September 1924, ZL and Connecticut on the US east coast just weeks later, and the ultimate Z4AA Frank Bell's QSO with Cecil Goyder G2SZ in London on 18 October 1924.
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